	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
aptitude—testing apparatus, ozone therapy, oxygen therapy, aerosol therapy, artificial respiration or other therapeutic respiration apparatus (Exim code-9019)			
Orthoapetic appliances, including crutches, surgical belts and trusses, splints and fracture appliances, artificial parts of the body, hearing aids and other appliances which are worn or carried or implanted in the body to compensate for a defect or disability (Exim code-9021)	7357.01	8411.05	9099.76
Apparatus based on the use of X-rays or of alpha, beta or gamma radiations, whether or not for medical, surgical, dental or veterinary uses, incl. Radiography or radiotheraphy apparatus, X-ray tubes and other X-ray generators and the like.	19993.64	26348.90	24964.38

Proposal to link AIIMS with other centres of excellence

1402. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to link the All India Institute of Medical Sciences and other Centres of Excellence having super speciality access and specialized expertise to State capitals and other local hospitals which have limited availability of such facilities, to provide consultation, medical education and research;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal and its present status; and

(c) whether and to what extent the Indian hospitals have linkages with foreign hospitals and institutions for tele-medicine services to seek/private expert medical advice?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. There is a proposal to link the AIIMS to some of the state capitals particularly in the northeast sector through telemedicine consultation. The AIIMS programme for tele-medicine envisages to provide for a national level tele-consultation from all super-speciality departments by linking up such centres through a network of regional and district level centres of tele- medicine. It aims to provide high quality services through the national grid layout for tele- medicine. AIIMS is presently involved in a WHO-SEARO project for launching certification programme for its adjunct faculty in collaboration with the center for Medical Education, University of Dundee, U.K.

Promotion of Employees in Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, New Delhi

1403. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA : Will the MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the employees promoted on ad-hoc basis in the Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, New Delhi in different cadres from 1995 onwards indicating names and dates of promotion;

(b) whether above promotions were as per Government's norms;

(c) whether the above employees were eligible for promotion to the grade in which they were promoted on ad-hoc basis;

(d) whether some of the employees are still continuing on ad-hoc basis;

(e) if so, the justification in each case; and

(f) by when, these employees would be given regular promotion and in what manner their seniority would be protected?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR): (a) to (f) A statement showing the details of ad-hoc promotions of employees made in the Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, New Delhi since 1995 is enclosed (*See* below) These ad-hoc promotions were made on the basis of qualifications & experience of the concerned employees on the lower posts and keeping in view the recruitment rules for the higher posts. All these ad-hoc promotions have subsequently been regularised keeping in view the relevant instructions.